

attending such proceeding, in case such judgment shall be confirmed, and in all cases of appeal either party shall be entitled to trial by jury.

Approved and in force March 31, 1870.

SHEEP AND DOGS.

1870, c. 189 entitled an act to provide for the protection of sheep in Queen Anne's, Dorchester and Somerset counties, and for re-embursing owners of sheep for damages sustained by them in the killing or injuring of sheep by dogs, enacts as follows:

252. The county commissioners, respectively, of Queen Anne's, Dorchester and Somerset counties shall require an accurate return to be made annually, in the months of July and August, by the constables of the several election districts in said counties of all dogs upwards of four months old owned or kept by any person within their said districts, particularly noting the number owned or kept by each person, and more effectually to secure the performance of this duty and the collection of the tax hereinafter directed to be levied; and when there are two or more constables in any of the said election districts, the said commissioners shall divide and apportion said district among the constables of said district.

1870, c. 189, s. 1.
Constable to
take account of
dogs annually.

253. The said county commissioners of the said several counties respectively, shall levy forthwith, and cause to be collected annually, by the constable or constables aforesaid, the sum of one dollar for one dog, and fifty cents each for every additional dog owned or kept by each person named in said return as the owner or keeper thereof.

Ibid. s. 2.
Tax on dogs.

254. The said constables in the said several election districts in the said several counties aforesaid, shall proceed to collect the sum so levied and apportioned among them by the said county commissioners as soon as the levy list is placed in their hands, in the same manner as now provided by law for the collection of state and county taxes in the said several counties, and shall keep and return an accurate account, under oath, of the money arising therefrom, together with the money col-

Ibid. s. 3.
Constables to
collect tax.